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Security Information

26 May 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Inspector General

FROM : Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT : TS Memorandum from Assistant to the
Director [REDACTED] Inspector
General, dated 14 April 1952, Subject:
Accountability of CIA to the Public on
its Expenditure of Public Funds

- T. S. 63419

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1. Subject memorandum having come to my attention, I feel it incumbent upon me to make the following comments respecting it:

a. I feel that this memorandum is inaccurate and misleading.

b. Some of the generalities and conclusions set forth in said memorandum are, in my opinion, based upon inadequate information as to the true facts; others are, in certain important respects, factually inaccurate.

c. For example, I regard as grossly inaccurate and misleading the statement contained in paragraph 3 of such memorandum:

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"CIA has grown to be
pig in a poke."

2. I, personally, do not feel that I have either the time or the complete knowledge necessary to draft a detailed refutation of the inaccuracies contained in said memorandum, but I shall be glad, at your convenience, to sit down with you and specify within the limits of my capability the respects in which I feel it is erroneous.

3. None of the foregoing is to be interpreted as an expression of the view that there is no problem of CIA accountability, but I believe that this problem can be raised and dealt with without making statements as extreme and likely to mislead the uninformed.

SIGNED

Loftus E. Becker

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